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1. A method for electronic mail notification comprising:
 - determining that it is a time for at least one of a reminder notification action and a report notification action;
 - for a reminder notification action, obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into at least one action item report and e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient; and
 - for a report notification action, obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list of completed action items into at least one completed action report and e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated recipient.

2. A method for electronic mail notification as recited in claim 1 wherein the obtaining of all action items and the obtaining a list comprises:

opening a docketing program;
running a report; and
saving the report for further processing.

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3. A method for electronic mail notification as recited in claim 2 wherein

processing the action items includes:

reading the saved report into memory;

parsing the report into items; and

filtering out unwanted items.

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4. A method for electronic mail notification as recited in claim 2 wherein obtaining a list of completed action items includes:

reading the report into memory;

parsing the report into items; and

10 creating a list from the items.

5. A computer readable media including code segments for electronic mail notification comprising:

15 a code segment determining that it is a time for at least one of a reminder notification action and a report notification action;

for a reminder notification action, a code segment obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into at least one action item report and e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient; and

20 for a report notification action, a code segment obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list of completed action items into at least one

completed action report and e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated recipient.

6. A computer readable media as recited in claim 5 wherein the code segment for obtaining all action items and the code segment for obtaining a list comprise:

a code segment opening a docketing program;

a code segment running a report; and

a code segment saving the report for further processing.

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7. A system for electronic mail notification comprising:

means determining that it is a time for at least one of a reminder notification action and a report notification action;

for a reminder notification action, means for obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into at least one action item report and 15 e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient; and

for a report notification action, means for obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list of completed action items into at least one completed action report and e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated recipient.

8. A system as recited in claim 7 wherein the means for obtaining all action items and the means for obtaining a list comprises:

means for opening a docketing program;

means for running a report; and

5 means for saving the report for further processing.

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9. A method for electronic mail reminders comprising:

determining that it is a time for a reminder notification;

obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into
10 at least one action item report; and

e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient.

10. A method for electronic mail reminders as recited in claim 9 wherein the obtaining of all action items comprises:

15 opening a docketing program;

running a report; and

saving the report for further processing.

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11. A method for electronic mail reminders as recited in claim 10 wherein

processing the action items includes:

reading the saved report into memory;

parsing the report into items; and

filtering out unwanted items.

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12. A computer readable media including code segments for electronic mail reminders comprising:

a code segment determining that it is a time for a reminder notification;

10 a code segment obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into at least one action item report; and

a code segment e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient.

13. A system for electronic mail reminders comprising:

15 means determining that it is a time for a reminder notification;

means obtaining all action items within a given range and processing the action items into at least one action item report; and

means e-mailing the at least one action item report to at least one designated recipient.

14. A method for electronic mail reporting comprising:
determining that it is a time for a report notification;
obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list
5 of completed action items into at least one completed action report; and
e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated
recipient.

15. A method for electronic mail reporting as recited in claim 14 wherein the
10 obtaining of all action items comprises:
opening a docketing program;
running a report; and
saving the report for further processing.

Sub A₅ 16. A method for electronic mail reporting as recited in claim 15 wherein
processing the action items includes:
reading the report into memory;
parsing the report into items; and
creating a list from the items.

17. A computer readable media including code segments for electronic mail reporting comprising:

a code segment determining that it is a time for a report notification;

5 a code segment obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list of completed action items into at least one completed action report; and

10 a code segment e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated recipient.

18. A system for electronic mail reporting comprising:

means determining that it is a time for a report notification;

means obtaining a list of completed action items in a given range and processing the list of completed action items into at least one completed action report; and

15 means e-mailing the at least one completed action report to at least one designated recipient.